Policy on Transfer of Credits
from a JCBS Basic Science MS Program to a JCBS PhD Program

The JCBS catalogue states that the limit on transfer of credits from another institution into a Ph.D. program is 18 credits as part of the 54 total credits required for didactic (non-research) coursework. A grade of B or better is required in each course for which transfer of credits is requested. For coursework taken at JCBS as part of a regular MS program, this limit is increased to 28, exclusive of courses such as research or clerkships, that are not eligible for transfer. Extension of the limit beyond 18 credits to 28 credits shall be at the discretion of the student’s PhD graduate program, and a letter of support from the Program Director is required, along with the student’s own letter requesting the credit transfer. Unless otherwise specified to suffice for required courses that are part of the PhD curriculum, these transferred credits shall be considered as “elective” courses. Students transferring from an MS to a PhD program are still subject to all credit and required course requirements of the College and their respective PhD Program.